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FM AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6247

C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTO DOMINGO 1022

FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, DR

SUBJECT: DEBT ARREARAGES

REF: STATE 45793

1. THE MAJOR PART OF A ONE AND A HALF HOUR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BALAGUER THIS MORNING WAS DEVOTED TO THE QUESTION OF DEBT ARREARAGES. THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT SINCE THE FIRST OF THE YEAR THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HAD HELD ITS SUGAR OFF THE MARKET AS A MEANS OF FORCING SUGAR PRICES UPWARD. AS A RESULT, THE GODR HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY INCOME FROM SUGAR SALES THIS YEAR AND CONSEQUENTLY WAS NOT YET IN A POSITION TO PAY THE JANUARY PORTION OF PL 480 ARREARAGES AS AGREED (SD 4848). HE WAS HOPEFUL THAT THE EFFORT TO OBTAIN HIGHER PRICES FOR SUGAR WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL, THEREBY MAKING IT EASIER TO CLEAN UP THE PL 480 ARREARAGES. IN ANY EVENT, HE SAID, THE PL 480 INDEBTEDNESS FOR 1975 (ABOUT 3.5 MILLION) WOULD BE PAID NOT LATER THAN JUNE 30, 1976 AND THE 1976 INDEBTEDNESS (ABOUT 4.2 MILLION) BY THE END OF 1976.

2. THROUGHOUT THE CONVERSATION, THE PRESIDENT CONSISTENTLY REFERRED TO THE PL 480 ARREARAGES AND INDEBTEDNESS AS DEBTS THAT MUST AND WOULD BE PAID.

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3. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN REFERRED TO IN REFTEL MAY USE FORE-

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